(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) how does his Ministry propose to utilize their land lying vacant in the best interest of all?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R.VELU): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Till such time Railway does not need vacant land for operations, such Railway land may be utilized for short term uses like commercial licensing, plantation, Grow More Food scheme and commercial development etc.

Attachment of additional AC coach to Express trains in Andhra Pradesh

2751. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any additional AC coach on a regular basis is being attached to all express trains in South Central Railways in Andhra Pradesh from 2nd October, 2007;

(b) whether it is a fact that Railways have assured additional accommodation in all Express trains which originate in Andhra Pradesh and ply only in Andhra Pradesh;

(c) the steps proposed to introduce an eight bogie/Coach between Secunderabad-Rajahmundry; and

(d) the reasons for not meeting traffic demand on Secunderabad-Rajahmundry sector?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) and (b) All important and well patronized trains are provided with AC coaches on regular basis to facilitate travel of upper class passengers. In addition, extra coaches are also attached to clear seasonal rush. Provision of coaches in trains is an ongoing process keeping in view the traffic pattern/patronisation, operational feasibility and availability of resources.

(c) and (d) There are 11 pairs of trains running between Rajahmundry and Secunderabad which are considered adequate to the present traffic demand. At present there is no proposal to run any new train between Secunderabad and Rajahmundry.

Guna-Etawah rail line

†2752. SHRIMATI MAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry has sanctioned railway line between Guna and Etawah over many years but this plan is not completed till now, and if so, by when it is likely to be completed;

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.